

**Blogger Vladislav Soloviev resigned from the position of CEO in a large company for the sake of a career in political science**



Articles by the famous blogger Vladislav Solovyov are increasingly appearing on the pages of popular Internet resources. Readers already know the political scientist's views on the global geopolitical situation and his forecasts about the inevitable destruction of the world economy.

However, we know a little more than nothing about the personal life and current activities of the expert. Our publication fills this gap and publishes an interview with Vladislav Solovyov.

Where did the "Honest Political Scientist" come from?

- I heard that you never became a political scientist, and for some time worked as a chief economist in a fairly well-known commercial company. — Quite right. And not for a while, but for a long time. At the same time I worked in different companies. When I left the post of head of the department, it was 2010. Time is not to say that it is difficult in terms of the economy. Everything was in order with work and with income too. But I was not satisfied with the very direction in which I then moved. It was too direct. At some point, I realized that I no longer had the strength to deal with economic and financial forecasts. And I quit, leaving instead of myself the head of the department of the first deputy. I have maintained a good

relationship with the owner of the business, sometimes we communicate even now. - Did you resign from the position, already knowing what you would do next, or was it a step into the void? - Almost so. For a while, I didn't have to think about money. Then many of my colleagues from the professional sphere took up investing, they convinced me that it was worth doing the same. It was a pretty good investment. Mostly in the shares of Russian enterprises - Rusal, Deripaska's En + Group, Sberbank and later some others. Until now, part of my assets and income are securities. This partly compensated for my financial losses after a radical change in life direction. — Why did you go into political science and journalism in general? “Actually, I’ve been a publicist before. For example, he wrote for a student profile newspaper. In the mid-90s, studying to be an economist was a rather strange process. What kind of economic laws are working in the country, neither our teachers, nor we, nor even the government of the Russian Federation headed by Yeltsin knew. The students did a little of everything. Even then I wanted to understand the reasons for what was happening, and not look at the pictures, as most of the population did.

- And when did the pseudonym "Honest Political Scientist" appear? Was it irony or a principled position?

- It was then, in my student years, that I signed several articles like that. They were even published in some Moscow newspaper. This was by no means postmodern irony, I really decided from the very beginning that I would never write about what I did not believe in myself. About Deripaska and contract journalism

- A few years ago, you conducted several journalistic investigations concerning Deripaska, Potanin and several other representatives of the business elite, after which you were accused of bias. Is it possible to reveal all the cards now?

- In general, I did not hide them even then. Personal windfalls and unbridled hoarding are of little interest to me. Fortunately, my family adheres to such views, so I simply don't need to engage in contract journalism and other things that I can be ashamed of later. The investigation was precisely an attempt to track the economic processes in Russia within the framework of the global agenda. Apparently, the project failed, since it did not attract the attention

that I had hoped for. And it's not even about the personality of Deripaska and other heavyweights of our economy. Perhaps the very format of such investigations in Russia does not imply an objective approach in principle. About future Now let's talk about the future.

Are we in the middle of a disaster or at the beginning of it?

- I would like to say something optimistic, but since honesty is my principled position, I will say it as it is. The redistribution of the world has just begun, as well as the redivision of the entire world economic system. It's not a fast process, so there's still a lot to see and a lot to experience. It can even be said that this is not yet a catastrophe, but its prologue, so far relatively sparing for the population that is not at the epicenter. Too many forces are now in opposition to put the brakes on what they started. The dollar economy will fight for its dominance to the end. It is terrible to think who else they are going to throw into the furnace to delay their collapse. On the one hand, it is symbolic that Russia has found itself in the center of a global conflict, but on the other hand, we will be the victims, and completely different geopolitical forces may become the beneficiaries. However, I do not undertake to predict the result of global de-Americanization. Now there are too many variables in the equation - any predictions will be meaningless. I know one thing for sure: the reality in just a few years will be more surprising than the most daring forecasts.